



# Seattle Preschool Program

voluntary, high-quality, affordable

## Curriculum

### Meeting Objectives

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- Identify barriers that providers might experience in adopting chosen curriculum
- Identify resources/supports for selected curriculum

### Legislative Guidelines

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- Curricula that is proven effective, play-based, and focused on social-emotional and academic development.
- Providers will be required to adopt the approved curricula as detailed in the Implementation Plan.
- After 2018, a curriculum waiver process will be considered for high quality providers (Seattle Preschool Program Action Plan, 2014).

### Why Curriculum Matters

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- Curriculum models should be:
  - Research based
  - Provide adequate support to teachers
  - Include professional development
  - Adaptable to different populations
  - Implemented with fidelity
- When a curricula that hold the following criteria they are linked to successful outcomes for children:
  - Intentional teaching
  - Small group and individual instruction
  - Comprehensive domains

### Additional Resources

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- Seattle Preschool Program Action Plan - May 14, 2014
- BERK Consulting Recommendations - May 2, 2014
- Seattle City Council “Preschool for All” (Resolution 31478) - September 23, 2013

All documents can be found here: <http://www.seattle.gov/education/about-the-levy/early-learning/seattle-preschool-program/documents>

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